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ADOT to Hold Public Meetings for I-17 Improvements in North Phoenix

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Area motorists can look forward to some relief from traffic congestion on Interstate 17 in north Phoenix with several major improvements planned north of the Loop 101 Agua Fria Freeway by the end of 2009.

The Arizona Department of Transportation will hold public meetings in September to inform the community about the improvements, which include more lanes, new interchanges (exit and entrance ramps) to access I-17, and new and improved frontage roads.

The meetings will be held:

September 19, 6-8:30 p.m.
Sandra Day O'Connor High School
25250 N. 35th Ave., Glendale

September 21, 6-8:30 p.m.
Anthem Community Center
41130 N. Freedom Way, Anthem

September 28, 6-8:30 p.m.
Desert Mountain Middle School
35959 N. 7th Ave., Desert Hills

A presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by an open house where the public can meet with ADOT staff to discuss the projects. The same information will be presented at each meeting.

The improvements are part of the voter-approved 20-year Regional Transportation Plan that went into effect this year.

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I-17 Public Meetings

The first phase of improvements on Interstate 17 will occur from Loop 101 to SR 74 Carefree Highway and will include a third general purpose lane and a carpool lane. In addition, ADOT will build four new freeway interchanges (exit and entrance ramps), as well as new and improved frontage roads.

ADOT anticipates completing all I-17 projects from Loop 101 to SR 74 by the end of 2009. I-17 improvement projects north of SR 74 will begin later in the 20-year regional plan cycle.

ADOT will conduct additional public meetings as work on I-17 progresses. For more information about the September meetings, call (602) 283-1195 or visit www.Interstate17North.com.